

# Child Welfare Accreditation

## What does this appropriation support?

House Bill 1453, passed during the 2004 legislative session, indicates that it is the intent and goal of the general assembly to have the Children's Division attain accreditation by the Council on Accreditation (COA) within 5 years. In FY-2005, the Children's Division received \$9.3 million as the first installment of a 5-year flexible funding plan to become accredited by COA. To achieve accreditation, Missouri's entire child welfare system is reviewed and measured against nationally-recognized standards of best practice established by COA.

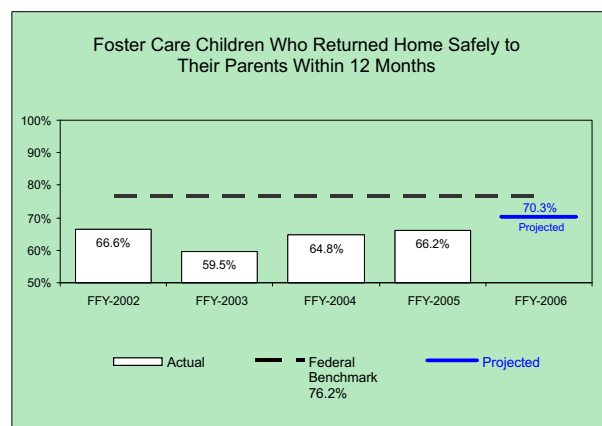
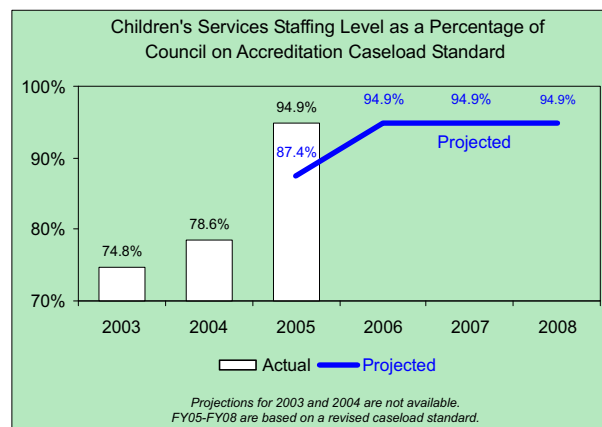
## What is the authorization for this program?

State statutes: RSMo. 210.113; Federal: 42 USC Sections 670 and 5101

## Is this a federally mandated program?

The federal Child Welfare Act and the federal Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act obligate Missouri to care for children who are abused and neglected. Line staff and operations activities related to these obligations would be considered mandatory.

## Efficiency and Effectiveness Measures:



## What are the expenditures?

	FY 2003 Actual	FY 2004 Actual	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Planned
GR	\$0	\$0	\$3,743,356	\$3,873,072
FEDERAL	\$0	\$0	\$1,568,136	\$2,065,302
OTHER	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,311,492</b>	<b>\$5,938,374</b>

## What are the sources of other funds?

N/A

## Are there federal matching requirements?

Children's line staff and operations expenditures are reimbursable at the Children's time study rate of around 27.4% federal (72.6% state match) or at the IV-E administrative rate of 50% (50% state match) if expenditures are 100% IV-E reimbursable. The time study rate is determined by polling a select number of Children's Division staff to determine the amount of time spent on particular programs. The time spent on each program and the earnings for these programs are used to determine a federal reimbursement rate.

## How many people are served?

Number of Children in Custody		
	Actual Children in Custody	Projected Children in Custody
FY 03	18,309	
FY 04	17,626	
FY 05	17,114	18,000
FY 06		18,000
FY 07		18,000
FY 08		18,000

Number of Child Abuse/Neglect Reports		
	Actual Reports	Projected Reports
FY 03	56,318	
FY 04	56,538	
FY 05	54,650	56,600
FY 06		56,600
FY 07		56,600
FY 08		56,600